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MAXIMIZING THE EFFICACY OF
THIOCYANATE SCAVENGERS IN
OILFIELD BRINES

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) GROUP ART UNIT: 1712
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) CONFIRMATION NO.: 9715
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) EXAMINER: PHILIP C. TUCKER

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the first Office Action mailed in the above application on August 25, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this Response.